

FOXBOROUGH TOWN NEWSLETTER

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Special points of interest:

- Rabies Clinic April 4th
Cats 8am-10am / Dogs 10am-12noon Highway Garage 70 Elm St.
- Visit us on Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/pages/Foxborough-MA/1544656282484319>

No Relief from the Snow...DPW Crews Work Round the Clock

Roger Hill, DPW Director stated on the "Ask Bill Keegan" show that this has been the worst winter in his memory, making the Blizzard of '78 look small.

The DPW crews worked long, relentless hours trying to keep up with the plowing from one storm after another.

As Roger stated on the show, it isn't just the roads being plowed and then their job is done; they have to plow the sidewalks, schools and other public buildings.

Roger wanted special merit given to all of his personnel by name (see page 3). He also wanted to thank all of their private contractors. These

people worked many days around the clock to get the job done and succeeded in every way.

The Water Department kept the wells open and dug out numerous fire hydrants so they too deserve special merit.

A heartfelt thank you goes out to all of you in the DPW and Water Departments from all the town employees as well as the residents of Foxborough for all your hard work. You are appreciated.



Plowing is done; is their job over...no, now they have to remove the snow.

Marsha Armando—New Executive Assistant to the Town Manager

Marsha Armando started her new position as Executive Assistant to the Town Manager on January 26, 2015.

Marsha beat out 303 applicants for the Executive Assistant position. This is no surprise to the people that know Marsha.

Her professional experience speaks volumes of her qualifications.

Marsha was previously employed at Tufts Medical School and Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution.

She is a graduate of Stonehill College and Suffolk University

and has a Masters Degree in Public Administration.

Marsha lives in Mansfield with her husband and two beautiful daughters.

Saying she is a great asset to the Town Manager/Board of Selectmen's Office would be an understatement.



MIIA Excellence in Loss Control Award Presentation



Jeff Siena, MIIA Loss Control Manager came to the March 17, 2015 Board of Selectmen Meeting to formally present the MIIA Excellence in Loss Control Award to the Town and most importantly the Loss Control Prevention Committee that worked so hard in making sure Foxborough received this award.

Committee members include: Barbara Kelley (Babs); Police Chief O'Leary; Deb Giardino;

Mary Beth Bernard; Robert Worthley; Fire Chief Hatfield; Vicki Lowe; Bill Yukna; Chris Gallagher; Jerry Cirillo; Pauline Clifford; Roger Hill; Deputy Chief Bagley; Bill Keegan and Sandra Herrmann (not present).

A special thanks goes out to Barbara (Babs) Kelley who keeps everyone updated on upcoming trainings, submitting the information to MIIA once the trainings are complete, etc., to make sure the

town receives these MIIA credits.

This group meets once a month going over trainings; loss control and risk management procedures; figuring out what caused the accidents and how to prevent them from happening again.

Because of their diligent efforts Foxborough has won this award again (the town also received this award in 2012).

Foxcares

"Their mission is to promote the public interest through responsible sales and service of alcoholic beverages"

Foxcares is an organization with collective membership open to all licensees and advisors of alcoholic beverages in the Town of Foxborough. Their mission is to promote the public interest through responsible sales and service of alcoholic beverages and to educate Foxborough licensees in the responsible service of alcohol.

Mr. Feldman believes they are on the right track and are gaining momentum. They are certainly trying to come up with methods to ensure responsible alcohol service and in some cases thinking outside the box. He thinks the members to date understand the liquor license they hold is not a right but a privilege and comes with responsibilities

both legal and social. They are embracing those responsibilities and are out to prove that collectively they can make a very positive impact on the Town of Foxborough.

Their next meeting is April 8th to be held at the Renaissance Hotel.



Keeping the Spirit Alive at Town Hall

Deb Giardino and Heather Harding, Recreation Department decorated the Town Hall for St. Patrick's Day. Deb and Heather brought in hats and pins for employees and residents to show their Irish spirit.

Deb always brings holiday spirit to the town hall and the

town in general whether it be the Mitten Tree at Christmas; Guess How Much Candy is in the Candy Jar on Valentine's Day; Tree Lighting Ceremony on the Common; Father/Daughter Dance, etc., (the complete list would fill pages)

Thanks go out to Deb, Heather and all the Recrea-

tion Department for all the fun things they do for the town and more importantly the children.

Visit the Recreation Department's website for their events calendar, etc.:

<http://www.foxbororec.com/info/default.aspx>

SPECIAL RECOGNITION OF THE DPW & WATER DEPARTMENT PERSONNEL

DPW DEPT.

Fred Shannon
Pete Solbo
Tony DeFazio
Steve Laursen, Sr.
Steve Laursen, Jr.
J.P. May
Ray Dowgos
Cory Sturtevant
Dave Laliberte
Tim Daniels
Jim Caffin
Mike Smith
Rob Kerr
Adam Rouille

Chris Gallagher

Tom Weir
Dan Horne
Steve Penney
Woody Colpritt
Glenn Strong
Brian Jacobson
Donna Johnson
Phil Loder
Barbara Kelley

WATER DEPT.

Bob Worthley
Art Reynolds
Tom Weir
Steve Sloan
Tim Daniels
Rick Wright
Mike Doolan
Joe Bordieri
Mike Walker
Phil Loder
Manny Pacheco



**“Thank You Plowers” is the Message from our Young Town
Residents to Hardworking DPW Crews**



Upcoming Events

FITBIT CHALLENGE BEGINS MARCH 23, 2015

This is a six-week challenge where Foxborough competes with (7) other MIIA towns (Amesbury, Andover, Franklin, Ipswich, Newburyport, Norfolk and Sutton). Teams are ranked by averaging the total steps from all team members. The team with the highest total step average, across all teammates, at the end of the challenge is the team winner. Participants on the winning team win relaxing chair massages scheduled right at your office/school. To successfully complete your individual challenge, you will need to log 294,000 steps within six weeks-an average of 7,000 steps a day, using your Fitbit device.

MIIA TRAINING

Social Media @ UR Workplace

Tuesday, March 24, 2015

2:00pm

Boyden Library

This interactive discussion explores the blurring of our social and professional worlds due to technology. How do we effectively use social media for personal means and professional worlds due to technology. How do we effectively use social media for personal means and professional purposes yet maintain high standards of professionalism even after we've punched out? In this discussion, we will explore the concept of what good can come of using the internet in the workplace, minding your manners when using it, and concepts around policy development and enforcement.

RSVP to Deb Jarvis at 508-543-1200 X701 by March 23rd

DARKNESS TO LIGHT TRAINING FOR YOUTH SPORTS GROUPS AND EMPLOYEES WHO HAVE NOT YET COMPLETED THE TRAINING

(Sponsored by The Foxborough Child Sexual Abuse Awareness Committee)

Tuesday, April 7, 2015

Foxborough High School – Room 122

7:00pm–9:00pm

Saturday, April 11, 2015

Foxborough High School – Room 122

9:00am–11:00am

Register at: <http://foxborough.k12.ma.us/darkness-to-light/>

SMART PLAN MEETINGS

(Deferred Compensation 457 Plan for Benefit Eligible Employees)

For all employees interested in possibly setting up a Smart Plan account, Eileen Neubert from Smart Plan will be available to explain this plan to anyone interested on:

April 8, 2015

Town Hall Employees

9:00am - 11:00am

Town Hall

Boyden Library Employees

11:00am - 1:00pm

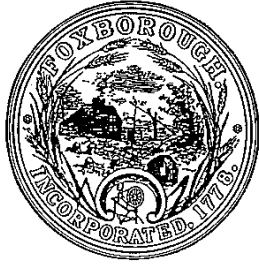
Fuller Conference Room

Public Safety Employees

2:00pm - 4:00pm

McGinty Room

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The Town of Foxborough was legally incorporated on June 10, 1778 and is known by its residents as “the Gem of Norfolk County”.

Office hours are:

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday: 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Tuesday: 8:30 a.m.— 4:00 p.m. & 5:00 p.m.— 8:00 p.m.

Friday: 8:30 a.m.— 12:30 p.m.

Frequently Asked Questions and Answers

1. **Q.** Where can I bring my mercury thermometers, light bulbs, etc.?
A. DPW on Mondays only 7:30am-3:45pm
2. **Q.** Where can I bring batteries and old cell phones?
A. Town Hall Recycle Box on the Board of Selectmen’s counter.
3. **Q.** Who do I call about Census questions?
A. Town Clerks Office (508-543-1208).
4. **Q.** When is the next Town Meeting?
A. May 11, 2015 at the High School Auditorium.
5. **Q.** When are Town Elections.
A. May 4, 2015 at the Ahern School Gym.
6. **Q.** Who do I call about the Rabies Clinic?
A. Board of Health (508-543-1207).
7. **Q.** Who do I speak to about getting on the Senior Tax Program?
A. Council on Aging (508-543-1252).
8. **Q.** Where do I go to register to vote?
A. Town Clerk’s Office (508-543-1208).
9. **Q.** Who do I call about reserving the Town Common?
A. Foxborough Selectmen’s Office (508-543-1200, X701).
10. **Q.** Who do I call about having a car wash at Town Hall?
A. Foxborough Selectmen’s Office (508-543-1200, X701).

